IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mamiko KURAMOCHI

Serial No.: To be Assigned Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Filed: February 16, 2001 Examiner: Unassigned

For: DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM AND DATA PROCESSING METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as

follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, change "claim 1 or 2" to --claim 1--.

Claim 4, line 1, change "claim 1 or 2" to --claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 1, change "claim 1 or 2" to --claim 1--.

Claim 7, line 1, change "claim 1 or 2" to -claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 1, change "claim 1 or 2" to -claim 1-.

Claim 11, line 1, change "claim 9 or 10" to --claim 9--.

Claim 12, line 1, change "claim 9 or 10" to --claim 9--.

Claim 13, line 1, change "claim 9 or 10" to --claim 9--.

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Claim 14,	line 1	change	"claim 9 or	10"	toclaim 9
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Claim 22, line 2, change "claim 16 or 17" to --claim 16--.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to correct the claims as originally filed.

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the abovereferenced application.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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